

Project Review Committee

7 March 1952

Director of Training

Summer Area Programs

SUMMARY: Authorization is requested to establish programs of instruction in four Areas during the summer of 1952. It is proposed to bring instructors from universities as cleared consultants, and to make as much use as possible of employees of the Agency. The cost will be about [REDACTED]. It is proposed that funds [REDACTED] budgeted for external training in fiscal 1953 be used for this purpose.

THE PROJECT: To establish part time programs of instruction for employees of the Agency during the summer of 1952 on these areas: the Soviet Union; Eastern Europe exclusive of the Soviet; the Far East, especially China; and South East Asia. The purpose of the instruction is to improve and systematize knowledge of these areas already possessed by our employees, to introduce employees to areas with which they are not already familiar, and to strengthen contacts between the Agency and scholars engaged in research on problems of interest to us. Seminars will be held for two hours a day, five days a week, during July and August; except that seminars on South East Asia will be held four hours a day, five days a week, for four weeks. Three or four instructors will be brought in for each area, representing the following fields: Economics, Political Science, History, Geography, Anthropology, and Sociology.

POLICY: Policy is consistent with CIA Regulation [REDACTED] CIA Training Facilities under Public Law 110, authorizing the Director of Training to arrange for instruction of employees in appropriate private and governmental institutions, and for which funds to the amount of [REDACTED] have been set aside in the 1953 budget. The departure from this policy consists of bringing the instructors to the students as cleared consultants during the academic vacation, rather than sending employees to the instructor. The change should increase efficiency and decrease expense, and is in fact necessary because it is not feasible at present to release any large number of employees for full time participation in study.

Security Information

SUPPORT:

Logistic: Authorization is requested to commit tentatively for this purpose before 1 July 1952 not more than [REDACTED] now budgeted for the fiscal year 1953 for external training.

25X1A

Consultants fees [REDACTED] per day

25X1A

Per diem

Travel (estimated on the basis of one round trip per instructor)

South East Asia Program to be handled by [REDACTED]

TOTAL

Space: Classrooms in Alcott Hall and conference rooms in various buildings.

Operational: Offices are being requested to make selected individual employees available to give one or two lectures. Other Agencies will be asked to do the same.

Consultation: Acting Director, Personnel has been consulted on procedure, fees and per diem for consultants so much as it pertains to personnel. IAS/O has been consulted with respect to prospective consultants, and those under serious consideration have been or will be file-checked before they are approached. All consultants brought in will be cleared at least through Secret. Finance has been consulted as to proper procedure for use of funds (see attached memorandum, Tab A).

Coordination: Training Liaison Officers have been requested to ascertain interest in their offices in participating in such programs of Area Studies. The response indicates substantial demand for such training (see attached table, Tab B). Certain leading academic authorities on these areas have been asked to recommend instructors, as have the External Research Staff, Department of State, and area specialists with the Agency.

SECRET

Security Information

TAB

A

TAB A

Approved For Release 2001/07/29 : CIA-RDP78-04913A000100030068-8

Security Information

Comptroller

19 February 1952

Director of Training

AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER FUNDS

25X1A9a

This memorandum is intended to follow up your conversation with Mr. [REDACTED] of my staff, concerning the matters discussed below.

25X1A

As you may recall, budget estimates submitted to you by Office of Training for fiscal year 1953 included in part approximately [REDACTED] for the purpose of conducting External Training Programs in order to improve the capabilities of personnel of this Agency. It has now become apparent that at least a part of the Agency's needs in this regard can be better satisfied and more promptly satisfied by a technique different than that originally contemplated. This would be achieved by bringing to the Agency instructors for certain area programs which would normally be available only at one or more universities or specialized educational centers outside the Washington area.

It is apparent that planning and tentative commitments to obtain this objective must proceed without delay if material objectives will be realized in fiscal year 1953. This is apparent upon consideration of the fact that faculties and other experts qualified to conduct the training contemplated, are only available during the months of June through August.

It is not intended that expenditures of 1953 funds would be made or obligated prior to the beginning of the next fiscal year. It is necessary, however, that tentative or conditional commitments be entered into with individuals and/or institutions at the earliest possible date so that if funds are appropriated, security clearances and other administration approvals may have been obtained during this fiscal year, thus permitting the program to be launched without delay in July of the fiscal year 1953. Your concurrence in this matter is requested.

/s/ MATTHEW BAIRD

Approved For Release 2001/07/29 : CIA-RDP78-04913A000100030068-8

Security Information

TAB A

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
Security Information

Director of Training

29 February 1952

Comptroller

Authorization to transfer funds

1. I have reviewed your memorandum of 19 February 1952 pertaining to the suggested revision of your plans relative to the conduct of External Training Programs included in the 1953 budget estimates in the amount of [REDACTED]

25X1A

2. Inasmuch as the proposed plan was described only very briefly in general terms in the estimates submitted in connection with the 1953 budget and there was an opportunity for only very brief review of the item at the time of your budget hearings, it is believed necessary the project be prepared in sufficient detail and submitted to the Projects Review Committee for its approval. This is in accordance with Regulation [REDACTED] paragraph 3A(2)(b) which provides that PRC shall review all projects "which are described in the budget under broad general authorizations without specific supporting project details." Even if it had been submitted in sufficient detail in connection with the budget, I believe it would still require PRC review in line with the proposed revision of the original plan inasmuch as paragraph (2)(a) of the subject Regulation provides for PRC review of all projects "which involve deviations from and/or additions to detailed budget presentations."

25X1A

3. It is suggested, therefore, that the proposed project be outlined in detail and submitted to the PRC as soon as possible as a 1953 project. This would provide you with necessary authorization to proceed during the remainder of this fiscal year with the necessary planning in accordance with your desire so that the program could be initiated without delay at the beginning of fiscal year 1953. We will be glad to assist in any way possible in the development of the project for presentation to PRC.

/s/ E. R. SAUNDERS

TAB

B

TAB B

25X1A7b

INTERNAL	OCI	OOD	OO [REDACTED]	FDD	*Y	OPC	OSO	TOTALS: All but Col'm Y	TOTALS: All
Russia	6	5	2	12 1	30		18	44	74
Far East	4	3	1	1	6	5 6(China)	10	30	36
SE Asia	4	1	1	1 1	3	6	10	24	27
E E	5	2	1	1	9	5	12	26	35

(Negative: ONE, CC, OSI, OHR)

*Additional FDD participation if classes can be held in [REDACTED]

25X1A6d